SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Page 1, delete the header:

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Page 1, immediately prior to line 1, delete "Description" and replace it with:

-- STATEMENT OF RELATED APPLICATIONS

This patent application is the United States Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) Chapter II National Phase of PCT/EP2003/013268 having an international filing date of 26 November 2003, which claims priority on German patent application no. 10255503.6 having a filing date of 22 November 2002. The PCT applicant is Focke & Co. (GmbH & Co. KG), having a business address of Siemensstrasse 10, 27283 Verden, Germany.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

1. Technical Field.--

Page 1, between lines 6 and 7, insert:

--2. Prior Art.--

Page 1, between lines 11 and 12, insert:

--BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--

Page 2, amend the paragraph of liens 16-21 as follows:

A device for achieving the aforementioned object has the features of claim 10 is a device for erecting (flat) blanks for cartons, collapsible boxes, trays or the like, it being possible to move said blanks in front of an aperture of a forming shaft and introduced therein by means of a forming punch, which in particular can be raised and lowered, whereby parts of the blank, in particular those in the region of side walls or longitudinal walls and/or transverse walls of the carton or the like, are erected in the process, characterized in that, once the blank has been pressed into the forming shaft, the forming punch can be moved at least partially outside of the forming shaft and returned to a position in front of the aperture of the forming shaft, it being possible to move the forming punch out of the forming shaft in a direction opposite to that of pressing in the blanks. Preferably at least two forming punches are likewise provided which can be moved in succession through the forming shaft. The forming punches are each rotatably, in particular pivotably, mounted on a carriage or slide located outside the forming shaft, which can be displaced upwards and downwards, and are preferably moved by a respective continuously-driven belt.

Page 2, between lines 21 and 22, insert:

--BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE DRAWINGS--

Page 3, between lines 6 and 7, insert:

-- DETAIL ED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--

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Page 13, immediately prior to Claim 1, delete "Patent claims" and replace it with:

--What is Claimed is:--